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The average daily circulation of the Barre Daily Times for the week ending Saturday was

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copies, the largest paid circulation of any daily paper in this section.

A Happy New Year to all Times readers.

A disastrous fire is hardly in keeping with the holiday spirit, but unfortunately it is not for the latter to say.

The Rutland News considers that the "insanity dodge is working overtime in Vermont these days—performing its mission of 'humanitarianism.'"

The munificence with which Mr. Ira C. Cate of Washington remembered various public institutions throughout the state at Christmas is very commendable, and Mr. Cate is getting a deserved amount of praise.

The Rutland man who attempted to sell United States postal stamps on the streets of Jersey City, at "greatly reduced" prices, evidently appreciated the fact that it was after Christmas. He had the real mercantile instinct.

Snow, hail, lightning, rain and shining stars was the meteorological combination which Newport, R. I., people were heir to in one day's time recently. It was one of the amusements which keeps "assiduity" from dying of ennui.

That myth set agoing by Perry Heath to the effect that the late McKinley confided to him at Washington, a "few days before the Buffalo tragedy," that he expected Marcus Hanna to be his successor has been punctured, and the bubble has collapsed completely. McKinley was not in Washington during two months before the Buffalo tragedy and consequently could not have said that to Perry Heath at Washington. Heath has not denied the statement and it must be inferred that he knew what he was saying when he gave the interview; furthermore the newspaper which first printed the interview stands ready to vouch for the fact of the interview. Heath, in the excitement of his opposition to Roosevelt, evidently overshot himself, and has made a statement which, had he thought more of the consequences, would have left unsaid. It acts as a boom-erang.

During this past fall and the early winter there has been an unusual rush of foreigners to their native lands, and in some weeks the number outgoing has been larger by considerable than the incoming. It is estimated that each passenger returning home has on the average \$200. The outflow of the foreign population is noticeable in Barre, as the exodus has been larger than usual this fall and winter, but all or practically all those who go back home will return next spring, and they will be accompanied by the usual number of immigrants. With the slackening up of business in the granite industry with the approach of winter this movement homeward begins; and again, with the opening up in the spring the shifting population returns, and the same will be noted next spring. This applies particularly to the Italian population of this city. The amount of money which each foreigner carries back home with him from Barre is problematical, but it is quite likely that the sum named above does not represent nearly what the real amount is, as the average wage which the foreign workman receives in Barre is largely in excess of the amount received by workmen in other kinds of employment.

Western Roads May Consolidate.

San Francisco, Dec. 31.—Local railroad circles are now interested in the rumors of the consolidation of the Western Pacific and the Butte and Plumas railroads, both of which have for over a year past been surveying routes from Oroville along the Feather river and over toward the eastern line of the state.

Shipbuilding Hearing Postponed.

New York, Dec. 31.—The taking of oral testimony in the action brought by the New York Security and Trust company and Charles M. Schwab against the United States Shipbuilding company and Receiver Smith to foreclose the mortgage on the Bethlehem Steel company was postponed, a stay of proceedings having been obtained by the defense.

Chas. K. Harris' New Song,

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ABOUT THE STATE.

Items of Interest Gleaned From Our Exchanges.

The tenth anniversary of the consecration of the Rt. Rev. A. C. A. Hall of Burlington, as the third bishop of the Episcopal diocese of Vermont, will be celebrated Feb. 2, 1904.

Mailing Clerk Joslyn, who has been running on the Richmond and Newport route, has been transferred to the Newport and Springfield route and Fred Holridge of Fraburg, has been appointed to the Richmond and Newport route.

At a meeting of the board of trustees of Montpelier seminary held Tuesday evening Acting Principal Howe consented to remain in his present position inasmuch as the board has relieved him of part of his class work. The board discussed plans for raising an endowment fund of \$100,000 but took no definite action in the matter.

Ella M. Spooner, a young woman of Washington, is the only heir of Thomas Newman, who died recently at Wheeling, W. Va., leaving bank deposits and securities amounting to more than half a million dollars. Newman lived very modestly and was not believed by his friends to possess a fortune. The discovery of his wealth caused a great surprise in Washington, where he formerly lived. Miss Spooner has taken steps to secure her inheritance.

JINGLES AND JESTS.

Regrettable Incident.

There was a young girl in Michigan, Who wished, but wanted to wish again; Then she got to the fact That the wishbone was cracked, So she laid it down on the dish again. —Potosky (Mich.) Lyre.

Unexpected.

"Yes, sir, he actually called me a dog." "And did you come when he called?" —Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The Hall Room Boarder.

Quite small was his bedroom, but he was meek and content as a saint. He had no complaint, for, you see, There was really no room for complaint. —Brooklyn Eagle.

A Sad Confession.

Roundabout Fryer—Are you still at your mother-in-law's? Doleful Henpeck—Yes—still than ever. —Brooklyn Life.

Modern Parity.

Some call pure things "as pure as snow." Whereat we are surprised, For snow can't be quite pure, you know, Unless it's sterilized. —Philadelphia Press.

Just For the Money.

"Who ever told her she could sing?" "Nobody, only the teacher who got \$2 for each vocal lesson." —Philadelphia Bulletin.

Out of It.

As long as bulls and bears endure, To deal each other shovels, Give heartfelt thanks if you're too poor To worry over stocks. —New York World.

Woman's Way.



Mrs. Jones—Let me tie your necktie for you, darling. Mr. Jones (who has been there before)—Certainly, dear. What is it this time, a new hat or a motor car?

LARD AND SALT PORK CHEAP.

To move off our surplus Lard and Salt Pork we will sell for the next week, until Jan. 7th, any quantity from 5 to 100 lbs. for 9 1-2c per pound.

SMITH BROS.,

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WHITE HOUSE FROLIC.

President Played With Six Hundred Little Xmas Guests.

BOMPED WITH THEM FOR AN HOUR

Played "Crack the Whip" at a Children's Party—Archie Roosevelt Danced an Old Fashioned Breakdown on Historic Dining Table—A Boys' Concert a Feature of the Function.

"Nurse, rub my tummy!" wailed a five-year-old who had eaten everything from ice cream Santa Claus and steamed oysters to red holly berries at the recent White House Christmas party, says a Washington dispatch to the New York World.

Six hundred children, sons and daughters of government officials, army and navy officers and friends of President Roosevelt's family, were there. The invitations read, "From 4 o'clock until 6:30." None was late. Some came in carriages, accompanied by nurses and maids. Mrs. Roosevelt had maids to straighten out girls' curls and rearrange girls' clothing, while Steward Pinkney performed a similar service for the boys.

Some of the children shyly wandered about until spied by the Roosevelt children, who quickly made them feel at home. Archie Roosevelt sought his old friends among the boys and said to them, "Now, you fellows must help me entertain." The shy and nervous quickly were put at their ease and taken upstairs, where the Marine band was playing. The music stimulated the children, and soon all were playing and romping about.

Everywhere were lights, Christmas greens, flowers and music. Mrs. Roosevelt greeted her little guests in the green room, wishing them all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Mrs. Roosevelt was surrounded by the wives of cabinet officers. Major McCauley, in the gorgeous uniform of the United States marine corps, introduced each of the little guests.

After meeting Mrs. Roosevelt the children went to the historic east room and at the door were given a souvenir—a bit of crease ribbon with a white button inscribed "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year." In the east room the youngsters for an hour listened to music by a boys' concert company from Chicago. There were eleven numbers, and some of the younger children began to show signs of impatience.

"Refreshments will be served in the state dining room," an usher announced, but few of the children knew where the state dining room was. Led by Archie Roosevelt and his chums, however, they quickly found their way. The big mahogany table, at which have been dined famous personages for a hundred years, was decorated with candelabra, holly and ferns. In silver dishes were bonbons, fancy cakes and other good things to eat. Four big Santa Clauses stood guard at each corner of the table, and at the end of the room was the Christmas tree, which had been dressed and kept as a surprise by Archie Roosevelt.

The children were soon enjoying themselves, eating of everything offered. After the table had been cleared Archie Roosevelt hopped up on the table and danced an old fashioned breakdown, while his boon companions looked on and cheered. After leaving the dining room the children formed little parties and scattered all over the mansion. Youngsters with candy gummed fingers made impressions on the walls, but nobody cared. Mrs. Roosevelt had medicines at hand, and whenever a cry of pain was heard the youngster was taken in hand by Surgeon General Rixey, who administered to the overworked stomach.

The older children began dancing in the east room while the younger ones had a romp, playing games and "exploring." At the height of the fun President Roosevelt joined the youngsters at play and romped with them for an hour.

"Why, he's just like any other man, isn't he?" said one delighted child when the president was playing "crack the whip" with them.

During the dancing in the east room many of the children fell because of the exceeding slipperiness of the floor. President Roosevelt tried to pick them up as fast as they fell, but they fell too fast. He had to call for aid, and Major McCauley, with his clanking sword, and many of the ushers assisted him. Absolutely no restraint was put on the children. They had a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon.

This was the first children's party of any magnitude since the days of President Tyler. Fathers and grandfathers of many of the children present today attended the fancy dress ball given in honor of President Tyler's granddaughter, Mary Fairlie Tyler. Little Miss Tyler was dressed as Titania, and 300 children were her guests. Mrs. Cleveland gave children's parties, but the guests included only the children of intimate friends. Mrs. Roosevelt has given two previous children's parties, but the guests on neither occasion numbered more than thirty or forty.

Some Youthful Ideas.

One of the graduates of the State Normal school, who is teaching in southern Maryland, has started a collection of "remarks" of her scholars, says the Baltimore Sun. A composition by a bright twelve-year-old chap on "Buttermaking" began with the logical remark that "it is necessary to save up your money and buy a cow to make butter."

"Sarcasm is something that comes in cans" is the teacher's vouch, a definition given her recently.

The Annual Reduced Price Sale

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FRANCIS JOSEPH QUITE WELL.

Fully Recovered From Recent Accident at Wallace.

Vienna, Dec. 31.—Emperor Francis Joseph has quite recovered from his accident and is pursuing his ordinary avocations, giving private and general audiences, as usual.

During Emperor Francis Joseph's customary Christmas visit to his daughter, the Archduchess Maria Valeria, at Wallace, he fell while ascending a stairway owing to his spurs becoming entangled in the carpet. The emperor returned to Vienna, and his doctors said that the injuries he had sustained were quite unimportant, some muscles of his back being slightly strained and his forehead being bruised.

The doctors recommended that his majesty should rest for a few days, but they considered that no further medical treatment was necessary.

There is no truth in the report published abroad that the emperor had a stroke of paralysis. His majesty is perfectly well.

Blair Leaves Canadian Parliament.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 31.—It is announced that Hon. A. G. Blair, formerly minister of railways and canals in Sir Wilfrid Laurier's cabinet, will vacate his seat in parliament as member for this city. It is understood that Mr. Blair, who was Liberal leader in this province, has resigned because of a disagreement with the premier over the Grand Trunk Pacific railway bill. Mr. Blair, it is said, has been designated to inspect the railway systems of the United States, with the view of laying the information before a national railroad commission to be appointed by the cabinet.

Clan Gordon Notice.

A. Hadden, treasurer of Clan Gordon, will be at 15 Miles' Granite block Tuesday and Thursday evenings, from 6 to 8 o'clock, to collect dues. All clanmen are requested to have their cards in on or before December 31. For order, Auditors.

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BARGAIN No. 3.—Boys' and Girls' Heavy Fleece Lined School Hose, the two pairs for 25c kind. Saturday, only 10c per pair.

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NOTE.—Our Inventory Sale made business lively the past few days. Many odd lots have been all sold out, but we will have many good values added for you in this sale Saturday.

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